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REMARKS

The specification has been amended to include a cross reference to related European Application 02 018 295.2, filed August 26, 2002, from which the present application claims priority. Care has been taken to ensure that no new matter is added to the text.

Claims 1-10 have been amended to remove multiple dependency and to otherwise conform the claims to USPTO guidelines. Claim 11 is a new claim from original claim 1.

Entry and favorable consideration prior to consideration are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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